



*National Association for the Advancement of Colored People*  
*Tennessee State Conference*  
*Gloria J. Sweet-Love, President*

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August 20, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn  
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel  
Commissioner Ajit Pai  
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners:

As President of the Tennessee Conference NAACP for the last two decades, my goal has been not only to represent our state organization with integrity, but to serve as an advocate for our many communities of minority residents. With that goal in mind, I write to encourage the Federal Communications Commission to approve Comcast's proposed merger with Time Warner Cable.

It should not surprise you to know that the NAACP seeks to promote diversity in all ways. It therefore should not surprise you to know that the Tennessee Conference NAACP has a true appreciation for Comcast and its efforts to build a more diverse and inclusive workforce. Bringing this good business practice to more communities through a union with Time Warner Cable will be a good thing for us all.

As a committed corporate partner in Tennessee, Comcast last year donated grants and volunteered many hours at community agencies worth a total of \$6 million. It also employed almost 3,000 of our residents.

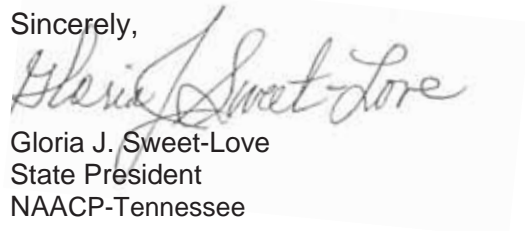
But more importantly, I want to emphasize our appreciation for what Comcast is doing to bring disenfranchised populations into the digital age and how significant that is for all communities.

Our organization strongly supports Comcast's Internet Essentials, a low-cost internet access program available to low-income families that qualify for school lunch programs. This corporate initiative is in line with our own NAACP National Education program, which builds equal access for everyone through training, policy, and network development.

Internet Essentials provides access to a wealth of information and opens the door to educational opportunities, while also providing assistance to populations often shut off from technology, based on affordability alone. With education comes opportunity and with opportunity comes empowerment. Internet Essentials will give so many citizens we serve and represent the ability to live that concept every day.

Without vital programs like Internet Essentials and corporate partners like Comcast, the NAACP's marginalized populations cannot realize their full potential. I sincerely look forward to the combination of Comcast and Time Warner Cable as I believe it will expand the scope of such opportunity to many others. Your approval of the transaction can make that happen.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gloria J. Sweet-Love", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Gloria J. Sweet-Love  
State President  
NAACP-Tennessee